



PATENT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 05032-00011

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application	of:)			
	Erik Leon	ard Hoffman) Examiner: David (C. Comstock		
Serial	No.: 10	/037,318) Art Unit: 3732			
Filed:	No	ovember 7, 2001))			
For:		NG ELEMENT FOR AN IMPLANT, ICULAR A HIP PROSTHESIS)))			
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Sir:						
	In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:					
	1. An	nendment and Response to Office Action				
	2. Pe	tition for Two-Month Extension of Time;	and			
	3. Re	turn postcard.				
With 1	respect to ac	Iditional fees:				
		A. No additional fee is required.				
	<u>X</u> I	3. An additional fee is required and has	been calculated as sh	nown below:		

CLAIMS AS A	MENDED					<u>-</u>
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	56	Minus	33	23	X \$9	= \$207.00
Indep. Claims	5	Minus	3	2	X \$43	= \$86.00
· · · · · ·	l	l	Total Additiona	l Claims Fees		\$293.00
Petition/Reques	t for Extension of	Time	months		\$210.00	
			Total Additiona Amendment	l Fees for this		\$503.00

^{*} If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

	C.	Attached is a check in the amount of \$
<u>X</u>	D.	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total additional fees of \$503.00 to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
	E.	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee of \$ to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 14, 2004

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^{***} Each multiple dependent claim should be counted as the number of claims from which it depends.



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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2003 (Paper No. 8). Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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